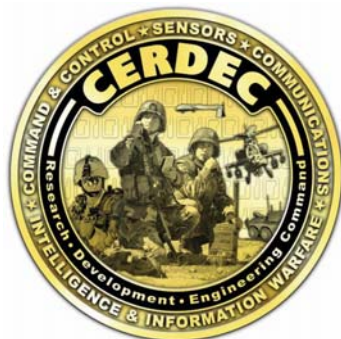


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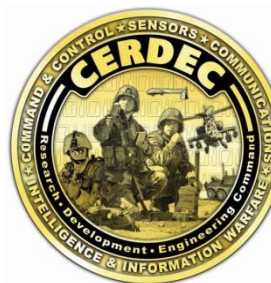
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# Overview



- The Need
- Operational Energy Policy and Community
- Technology Focus Areas, Applications, and Objectives
- Emerging Tactical Alt/Renewable Energy System Requirements
- Technology Demonstrations and Transitions



# THE NEED!



Fuel cost = \$350,000  
per year per soldier

Ref: Time Magazine "Obama  
Weighs the Cost of an Afghan  
Surge," 25 Nov 2009.

In June 2008, 44  
trucks and a total of  
220,000 gallons of  
fuel lost to IED's

Ref: New York Times "One of the  
Nation's Largest Energy Users  
Has Ambitious Plans to Cut  
Back," 28 May 2010.



Ref: <http://energy.defense.gov>



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# OPERATIONAL ENERGY (OE) POLICY

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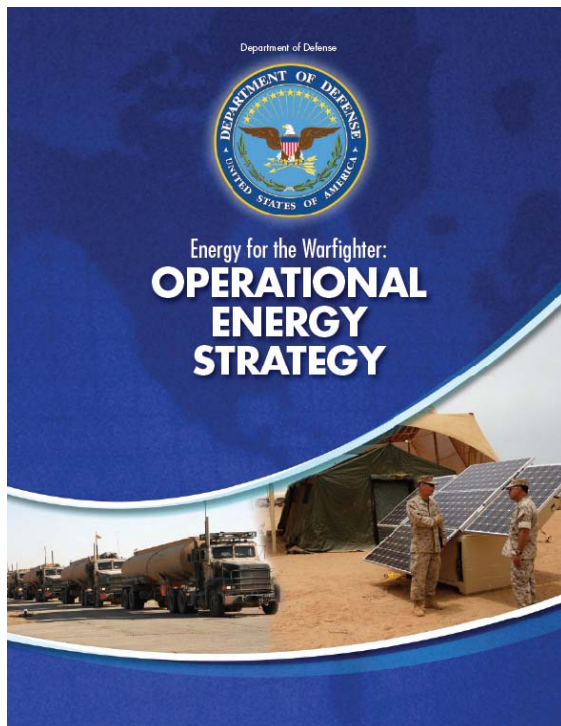




# DoD Operational Energy Policy Changes



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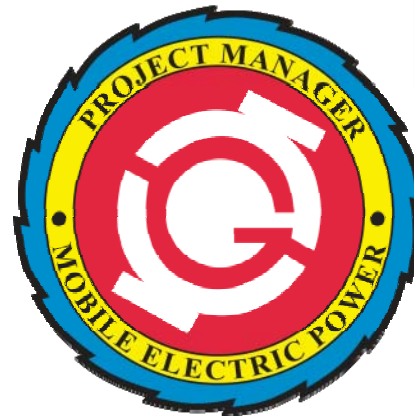
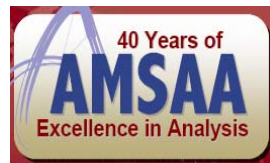
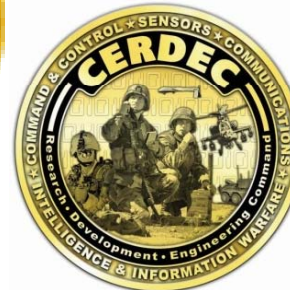
Ref: <http://energy.defense.gov>

- Department of Defense (DoD) Directive 5134.15 dated May 17, 2011 established the ASD(OEPP)
- The Operational Energy Strategy released by ASD(OEPP) lays foundation for defense systems energy management:
  - Document/track energy consumption of weapons systems
  - Energy key performance parameter or “e-KPP” for all programs of record
  - Use of fully-burdened cost of fuel in lifecycle cost analyses
  - Accelerate rapid acquisition of technologies that benefit operational energy in near term and accelerate transition to programs of record

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# DoD Operational Energy Research Dev Acq Community



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# ALTERNATIVE/RENEWABLE ENERGY (A/RE) TECHNOLOGIES, APPLICATIONS, AND OBJECTIVES



# CERDEC Renewable Energy Team

## *Mission Summary*



### **Enabling Technologies**

- Hybrid Power
- Photovoltaic (PV), Solar Thermal, & Wind Energy Harvesting
- Waste-to-Energy (W2E) and Gas to Liquids (GTL)
- Waste heat recovery, Heat-actuated Cooling, & Co-generation

### **Applications**

- Tactical Mobile Power
- Vehicle-mounted Auxiliary Power and Environmental Control
- Energy Security for Base Operations
- Waste abatement

### **Objectives**

- Fuel Efficiency
- Force Protection
- Improved Mobility
- Reduced Signature
- Reduced Logistics



# CERDEC Renewable Energy Team

## *Solar PV Module FY14 Objectives*



All performance metrics reported for AM1.5 insolation and standard, temperature, and pressure (STP) ambient conditions.

	Current	Threshold	Objective	Pacing Technology
Architecture	Foldable Rigid Ruggedized Thin Glint Free* Rollable*	Foldable Flexible Ruggedized Thin Glint Free Rollable Chemically Resistant	Foldable Flexible Ruggedized Thin Glint Free Rollable Chemically Resistant	Packaging Fabrication processes Encapsulation/coating
Power density	35-40 W/kg or 50-80 W/m <sup>2</sup>	40 W/kg or 100 W/m <sup>2</sup>	75 W/kg or 150 W/m <sup>2</sup>	Material selection Novel PV chemistry Encapsulation/coating
Conversion efficiencies	5 to 8 %	10%	15 %	Material selection Novel PV chemistry
Cost	\$15 per Watt	\$3.50 per Watt	\$2.50 per Watt	Material selection Fabrication processes

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## *Wind System FY14 Objectives*



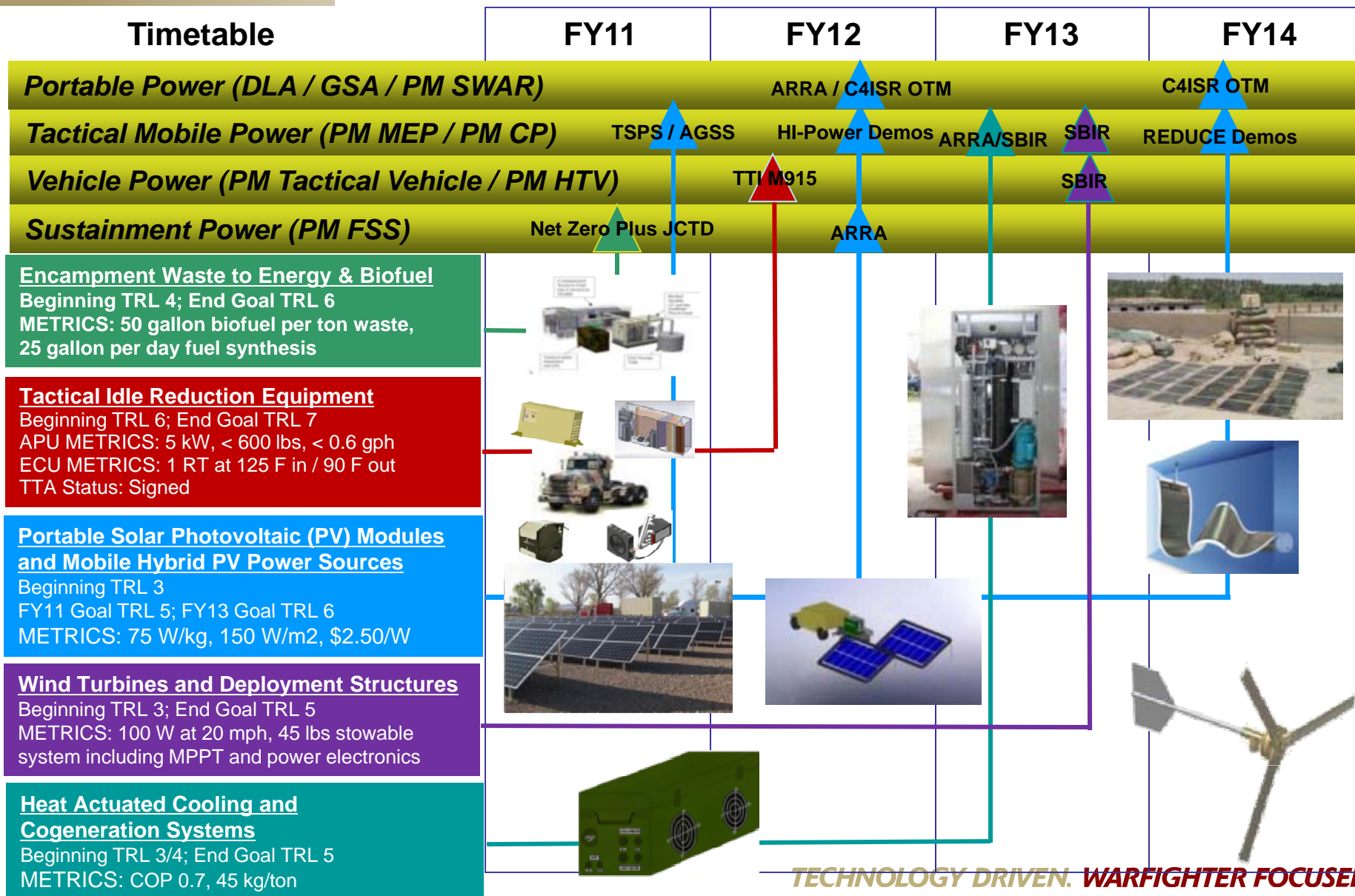
	Current	Threshold	Objective	Pacing Technology
Architecture	Stationary Semi-mobile	Semi-mobile, Containerized	Containerized (>15kW) Vehicle-mounted (50W-5kW) Man-portable (50W-500W) Trailer-mounted (500W-15kW)	Novel deployment structures, collapsible blades, telescoping tower
Power Density (Nominal at 25 mph Wind Speed)	Turbine: 30-40 W/kg  Turbine / Pole: 7.5 W/kg	Turbine: 40-50 W/kg  Turbine / Pole: 20 W/kg	Turbine: 80 W/kg  Turbine / Pole: 40 W/kg	Novel HAWT and VAWT designs, production materials/processes, system assembly, improved generators/alternators
Cost (turbine, pole, electronics, batteries)	\$13.20/W	\$10/W	\$5/W	Low-cost turbine and deployment system production materials
Deployment / Retraction Time	>2 hours	30 minutes	15 minutes	Novel deployment structures

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# CERDEC Renewable Energy Team

## A/RE Products, Metrics, Demos




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# US Army CERDEC Applications *Portable Power*



NOW  FUTURE



DAGR



LMR



P-Beacon



AN/PVS 14



Head Set



MBITR



Sure Fire Light



PEQ-2A



Mark VII



Mag Lite



M68 CCO (Day)

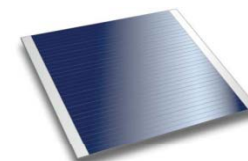


HTWS (Night)

**7 Battery Types**  
**72-hrs:**  
**70 Batteries, 16 lbs**



Army Rifleman



AN/PVS 14



Sure Fire Light



Mag Lite



M68 CCO (Day)



Head Set



PEQ-2A



MBITR



Mark VII



HTWS (Night)

**5 Battery Types**  
**72-hr mission:**  
**38 Batteries, 12.5 lbs**

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# US Army CERDEC Applications

## *Tactical Mobile Power*



“During wartime, generators become the largest single fuel consumers on the battlefield... Gen-sets in Iraq [are] overwhelmingly used for space-cooling”

Category	Peacetime OPTEMPO	Wartime OPTEMPO
Combat Vehicles	30	162
Combat Aircraft	140	307
Tactical Vehicles	44	173
Generators	26	357
Non-Tactical	51	51
<b>Total</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>1040</b>

Army Fuel consumption in peacetime & wartime (million gallons per year)

Ref: USD(ATL) / Defense Science Board “More Fight Less Fuel” Feb 2006.

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# REQUIREMENTS

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# Soldier-Portable Power Overview



- Increase specific power and energy for Soldier-carried storage devices (Warfighter Outcome: 2 x power at ½ the weight);
- Reduce energy consumption by 50% by making end items more efficient and introducing power management algorithms;
- Reduce the quantity and variety of batteries (from typical 7-8) carried by the Soldier ;
- Identify locally available energy sources and Soldier power technologies;
- Provide interoperable interfaces between Soldier systems and infrastructure and vehicle-mounted energy systems.

***Power & Energy Strategy White Paper, Army Capabilities Integration Center – Research Development and Engineering Command – Deputy Chief of Staff, G-4, US Army , 1 April 2010***



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# Tactical Electric Power *Overview*



- Battlefield power generation and distribution provided via following **continuum**:
  - Tactical Electric Power (TEP) – Gov't owned/operated, Precise and utility grades, operation on JP-8 in all environments, **2 - 200 kW** (120/240 VAC single phase, 208 VAC three phase, 50/60/400 Hz)
  - Prime Power – Gov't owned/operated, Commercial grade, **0.2 - 10 MW** (2400/4160 VAC 60 Hz or 2200/3800 VAC 5 Hz)
  - Commercial Power – Not Gov't owned/operated, commercial grade, **>10 MW**, reliability/security risks in Iraq and Afghanistan
  - Contractor-Provided Power – Not Gov't owned/operated, commercial grade, **capacities vary**
- **Rules of thumb**:
  - 3 kW/person/day (bases with 5 to 3,500 population)
  - 4 kW/person/day (bases >3,500 population)





# Tactical Electric Power *Basic Requirements*



- TEP systems must be designed to provide CONTINUOUS RATED POWER at these conditions:
  - 0.8 power factor (pf), lagging
  - Ambient temperatures up to 52°C (125°F) [-3% for each 10°C increment (18°F) above 52°C]
  - Altitudes up to 1,219 m (4,000 ft) [-3.5% for each 305 m increment (1,000 feet) above 305 m up to 3,048 m]
  - Operation on JP-8 as defined by MIL-DTL-83133E
- Two grades, four classes of TEP system power quality requirements: Prime and Utility Classes 2A, 2B, and 2C and as defined by MIL-STD-1332B



# Tactical Environmental Control *Basic Requirements*



## Military IECUs vs. Commercial A/Cs

**Centralized ECU management will reduce the purchase and use of commercial equipment to replace standard military systems.**

### Improved Environmental Control Units

- ✓ Designed to operate to 125°F
- ✓ Cooling capacities rated at 125°F
- ✓ Organically supportable
- ✓ Improved NBC and EMP survivability, reduced aural and IR signatures
- ✓ Ruggedized for field use
- ✓ Soft start, limited inrush current
- ✓ High reliability in mission environments

### Commercial A/C Equipment

- ✗ Designed to operate only to 100°F
- ✗ Cooling capacities rated at 90°F; performance degrades rapidly at temperature extremes
- ✗ Supportable only through contractor support
- ✗ No NBC or EMP survivability, or reduced aural or IR signatures
- ✗ Not ruggedized for field use
- ✗ High inrush current increases size of power generation equipment
- ✗ Reduced reliability in mission environments

Ref: Mr. Jeff Taylor, PM MEP, Presentation to JOCOTAS Technical Working Group dated November 2009

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# Tactical Hybrid A/RE *Emerging Requirements*



- Joint requirements community (with Army leadership from G4, ARCIC, and CASCOT) has drafted an initial capabilities document (ICD) for OE as of Nov 2010 and is currently working on Renewable Energy Power Sources Capabilities Development Document (REPS CDD)
- Gaps identified across power spectrum, DOTLPF can yield some operational energy reductions, but development of new materiel solutions (in the form of hybrid A/RE systems) is required

Characteristic	Threshold	Objective
Power Generation	The TSPV shall provide a 3kW average continuous electrical power output for 15-days under normal operating conditions and without requiring refueling or resupply.	The TSPV shall provide a 5kW average continuous electrical power output indefinitely under normal operating conditions and without requiring refueling or resupply.
Energy Storage Power Output	TSPV shall provide a 3kW continuous electrical power output for 12 consecutive hours without power input from the electrical generation or energy harvesting systems and without operator intervention.	TSPV shall provide a 5kW continuous electrical power output for 48 consecutive hours without power input from the electrical generation or energy harvesting systems and without operator intervention.
Trailer System	TSPV system shall use the Light Tactical Trailer-Heavy Chassis (LTT-HC). All trailer performance attributes remain in effect for the module as mounted, e.g., 4200 lb. gross weight (max), 420 lb. tongue weight and lateral stability on 40% slopes.	Threshold = Objective
Temperature	The TSPV shall be capable of sustained operation up to 95°F at 4000-ft. above sea level.	Threshold = Objective

Ref: T.E. Raney, PM MEP/CASCOT (BAE Systems, Inc.), White Paper "Tactical Solar-Photovoltaic Systems: Operational & Technical Insights", 21 Oct 2010.

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# DEMONSTRATIONS AND TRANSITIONS

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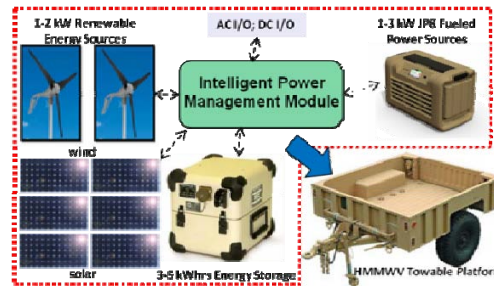




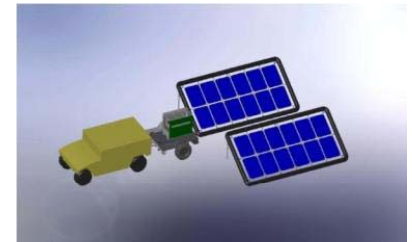
# US Army CERDEC Hybrid A/RE Product/Application Spectrum



**RENEWS**



**ASPS**



**TSPS**



**AGSS**



**REDUCE**



**Applications**

**REPPS**



**mW**

**kW**



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# US Army CERDEC Hybrid A/RE *REPPS Kit*



## Rucksack Enhanced Portable Power System (REPPS) Kit from Brentronics and Global Solar

- Connects to BB-2590 lithium ion rechargeable battery to allow for continuous operation of unattended ground sensors and surveillance cameras
- Flexible panels use copper indium gallium (di)selenide (CIGS) photovoltaic chemistry
- Over 100 of 725 deliverable systems have been free-issued by CERDEC under ARRA program
- Recharges BB-2590 lithium ion battery in 4 to 6 hours
- Output: 62 W at AM1.5 conditions



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# US Army CERDEC Hybrid A/RE *RENEWS Kit*



**Reusing Existing Natural Energy Wind and Solar (RENEWS) Kit  
from Brentronics, Global Solar, Chinook**

## EACH KIT CONTAINS:

- 400 W (at 25 mph) Wind turbine & 372 W (at AM1.5) Flexible Solar Panels
- 1.2 kWh (6 x BB-2590) "Six Pack" Battery Module
- 250 W Inverter, Power Conditioner, & Plugs/Connectors
- AC/DC Output: 120 VAC / 60 Hz at 250 W & 12/24 VDC at 720 W
- Contained within Two x Two-man-lift Transit Cases (260 lbs total)
- 125 systems to be delivered in late 2011 under ARRA program and free-issued to field units and training exercises

### What it Includes



Solar case  
145 lbs

Wind case  
115 lbs

**One Kit  
Powers**

### What it Powers

Up to Two AN/PRC-117 Manpack Radios



or

Up to Five ASIP Radios



or

Any Army Standard Charger



**Eliminates**

### What it Saves



>80 x 5590 batteries  
per month with 3  
ASIP Radios  
Weight /cost  
payback within  
3 winter months

**Remote Power for Combat Outposts (COPS) and Re-transmission Sites**



# US Army CERDEC Hybrid A/RE *Transportable Solar Power System*



- Customer: US SOCOM
- TSPS / SPS Contractor: SunDial
- Benefits: 1 gal/hour of fuel savings
- Approx. 10 kW continuous power
- Includes:
  - 38.6 kW glass mc-Si solar PV array
  - 192 kWh AGM energy storage
  - 7 kW diesel fueled power generator
  - Deployable in 24 man hours
- Initial TRL of 6, Current TRL 9
- Objective: Obtain Safety conf. report by 31 December 2010
- 2 x TSPS deployed to Afghanistan in January 2011
- Third improved “Smart Power System” in test/safety confirmation tested by ATC deployed Sep 2011



Image courtesy of Sundial



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# US Army CERDEC Hybrid A/RE *Western Hemis Info Exch*



- Customer: US SOUTHCOM
- WHIX Contractor: Florida International Univ. (FIU)
- Approx. 3 kW continuous power
- Includes:
  - 5 kW Ascent and Energy Tech Inc CIGS solar PV tent fly
  - 2 x 1 kW Bergey wind turbines w/ assembled foundation ARE wind towers
  - Energy storage of 36 kWhr using Li/FePO4 batt's, 4-man lift cases
  - 6 kW gas generator & 6 kW inverter
- Current TRL of 5/6
- Objective: RDECOM Consultant to SOUTHCOM and FIU
- Deployed to Dominican Republic in Apr 2011 for DR soldier training and used in dental exercise with US Army Reserves in May 2011



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# US Army CERDEC Hybrid A/RE *Automatic Gen Start System*



- Customer: PM MEP / REF
- AGSS Contractor: Solar Stik
- Includes:
  - 1 kW BP Solar PV panels mounted on tripods
  - Energy storage of 10 kWh using AGM batteries, 2-man lift cases
  - 3 kW Tactical Quiet Generator modified for automatic start/stop
  - 1.8 kW inverter
- Current TRL of 6/7
- Obj: Obtain a safety confirmation by end of September 2011
- Testing and soldier demo completed by CERDEC
- 15 systems deployed in Oct 2011



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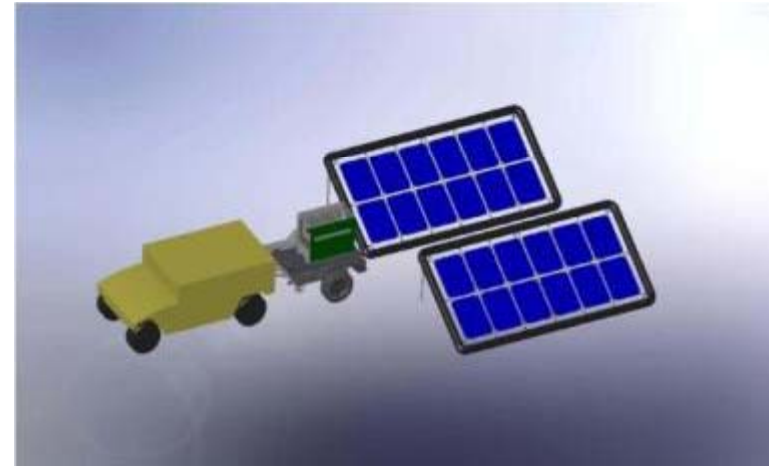




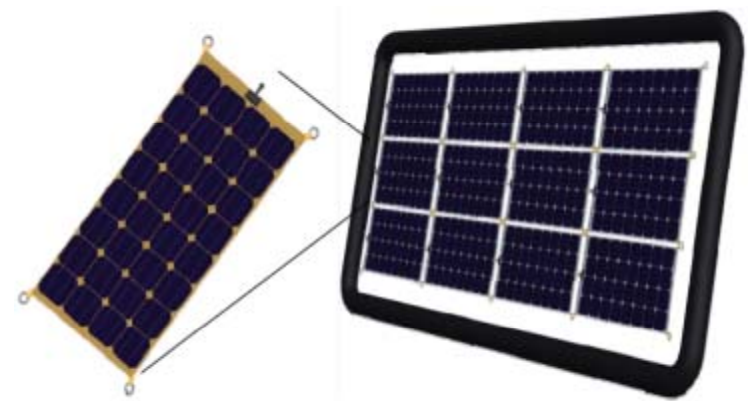
# US Army CERDEC Hybrid A/RE *Advanced Solar Power Source*



- ASPS Contractors: Electricore, AeroVironment, VXE Inc
- Objective: TRL 5  
15% eff. solar PV array (10% threshold)
- Includes:
  - 2.5 kW encapsulated mc-Si solar PV array
  - Energy storage of 12 kWh Li/CoO<sub>2</sub> (BB-2590) battery bank
  - 5 kW bidirectional inverter
  - Inflatable deployment structure
- Electricore reported 11.4% module efficiency and power dens. of >50 W/kg with exceptional bend radius
- Delivery in early FY12 to APG



Images courtesy of Electricore



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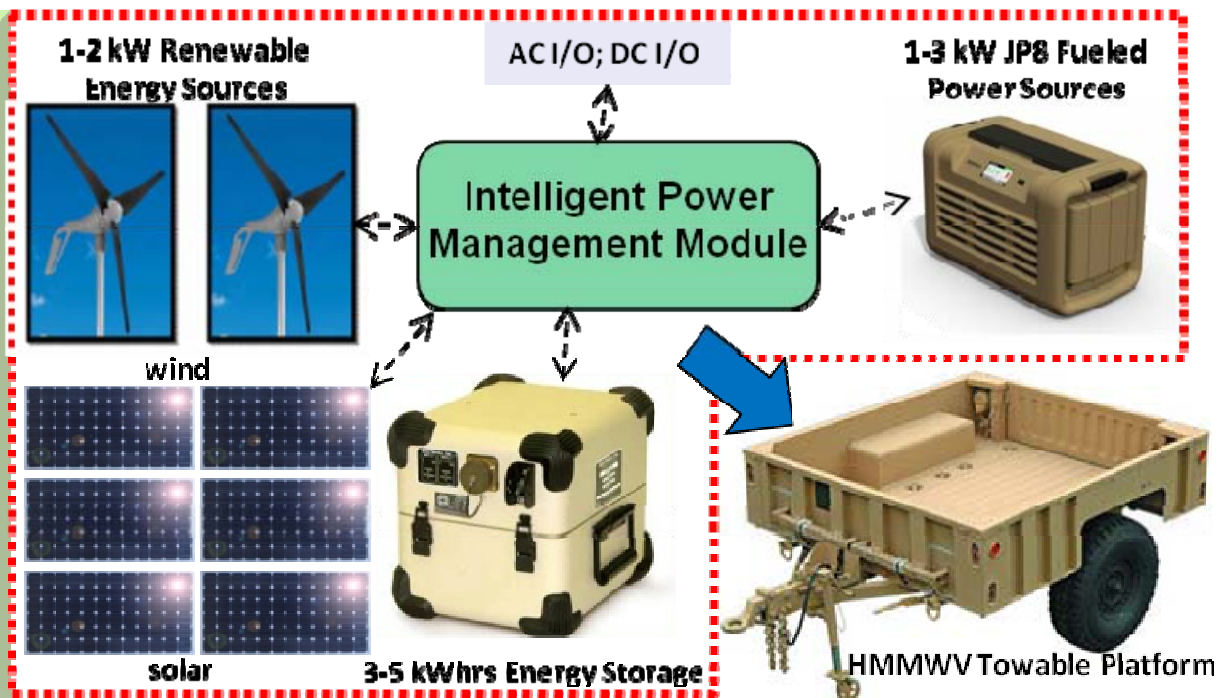
# US Army CERDEC Hybrid A/RE REDUCE Program FY12-14



## Renewable Energy for Distributed Under-supplied Command Environments (REDUCE)

### EACH SYSTEM CONTAINS:

- 1-2 kW Renewable Energy Devices (Photovoltaic/Wind)
- 3-5 kWh Energy Storage Module
- Intelligent Power Management Module and Controls
- Optional 1-3 kW JP8 Fueled Power Source
- AC/DC Output- 115 VAC & 12/24 VDC
- HMMWV towable on M1101 Trailer
- Wt: ~200 kgs

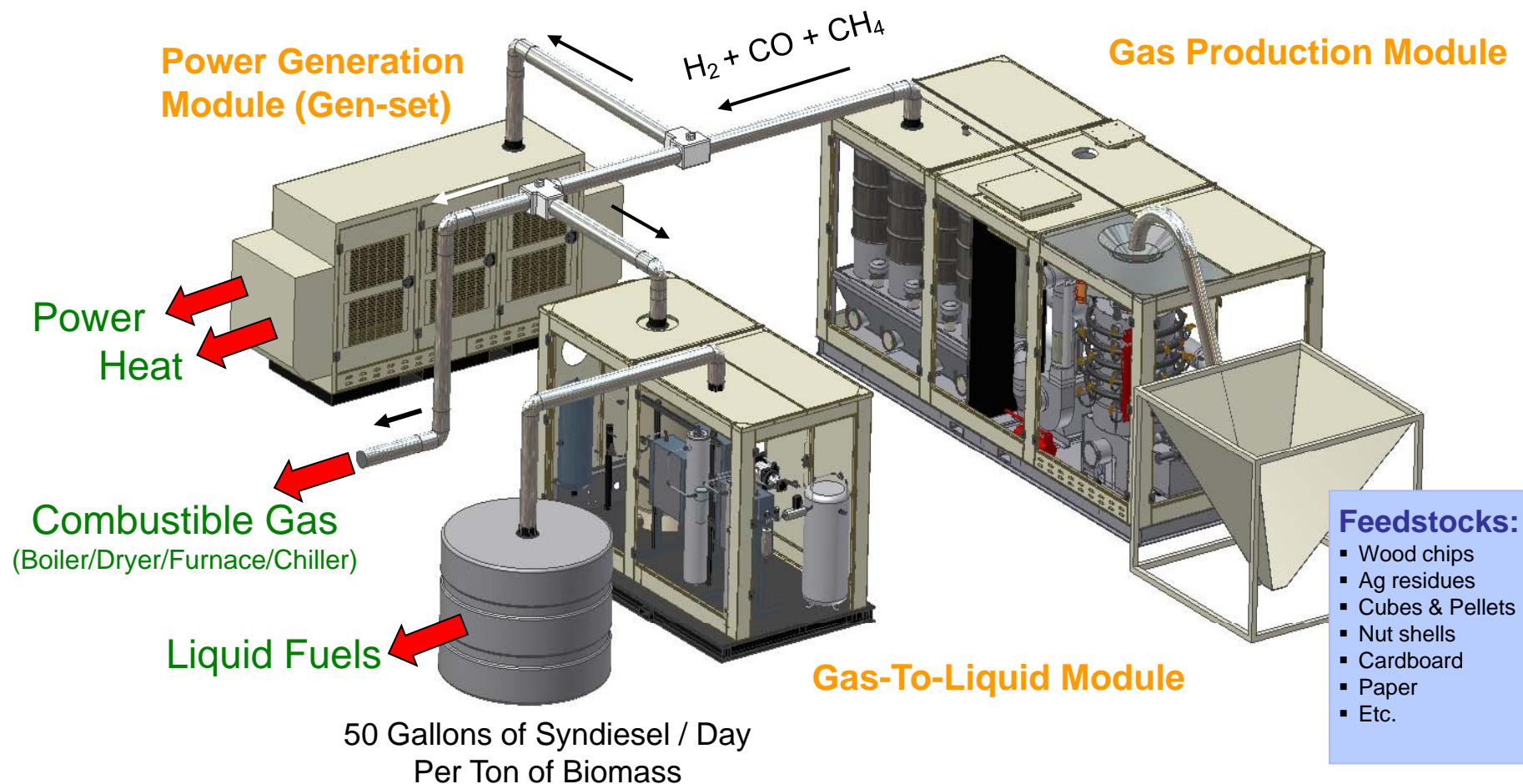


**PLUG AND PLAY CAPABILITY** for ease of use  
**Reliable Exportable Power Continuously under *All Conditions***  
***Modular System*** allows Component Selection based on  
**Mission Needs**

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# US Army CERDEC W2E/GTL Community Power Corp Demo



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# US Army CERDEC W2E/GTL *Community Power Corp Demo*



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# US Army CERDEC Co-Gen ARRA for Co-gen Overview

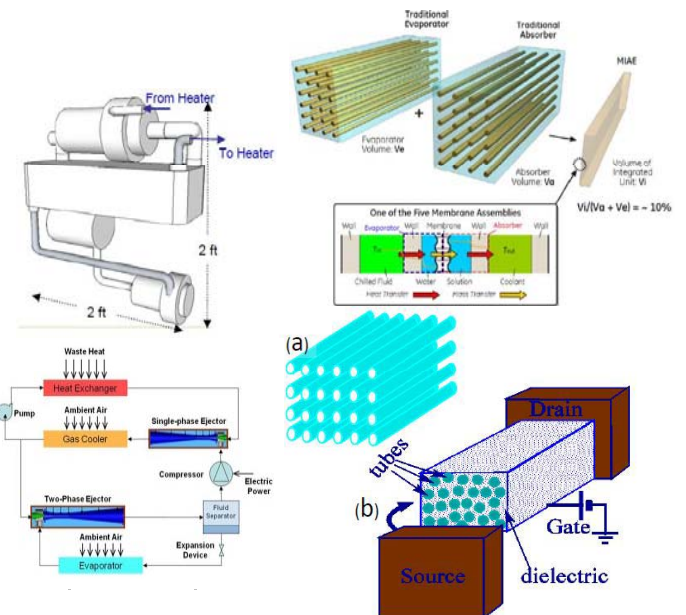
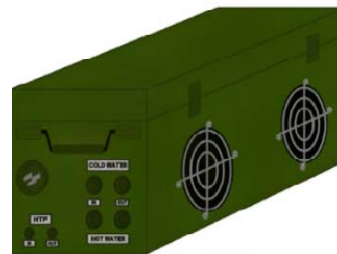


## Project Objective:

The overall objective of this program is to demonstrate the co-generation of cooling, heating, and power from waste heat sources, which may include but are not limited to diesel engine exhaust gases, engine cooling fluids, and ambient airstreams.

## Approach:

Emphasis of the advanced hardware demonstrations will be on equipment mobility, compact and lightweight design, refrigerant safety (non-flammable, lower toxicity), and compatibility with military standard diesel generator systems as a source of waste heat for initial demonstration.



## Benefits/Metrics:

It is well known that environmental control represents one of the most significant load requirements on the tactical battlefield today. These conditions present a unique opportunity for demonstration and transition of a smaller, lighter combined heating, cooling, and power system that provides energy efficiency and logistical benefits over the baseline stand-alone equipment. Threshold metrics at end of program: TRL 5, 45 kg/ton dry weight, COP=0.5

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# US Army CERDEC Co-Gen *ARRA for Co-gen Contracts*



Contractor	Purpose / Status
Creative Thermal Solutions	Development of a 10.5-kWt (3-ton) diesel-engine-waste-heat-driven ejector heat pump environmental control unit (ECU) that uses carbon dioxide refrigerant.
Stone Mountain Technologies Inc	Development of a 2-kWt (0.6-ton) diesel-engine-waste-heat-driven ammonia-water absorption environmental control unit (ECU) that uses micro-scale heat exchanger technology.
GE Global Research	Development of a hydrophobic porous membrane-based integrated absorber and evaporator heat exchange device for a target 5.3-kWt (1.5-ton) lithium bromide absorption cycle.
Northwestern University	Theoretical and experimental investigation of an advanced carbon nanotube based thermoelectric generation (TEG) technology for waste heat to electricity applications.
United Technologies Research Center	Design of a 10-kWe Organic Rankine Cycle (ORC) that uses low-global-warming-potential Novec fluid to be coupled with generator sets in the 60-kWe to 200-kWe range for waste heat to electricity applications.
United Technologies Research Center	Development of a 17.6-kWt (5-ton) hybrid vapor compression cycle with two-phase ejector heat pump using carbon dioxide refrigerant.

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# US Army CERDEC *Tactical Idle Reduction*



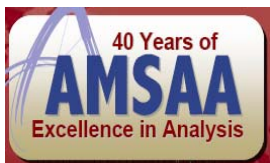
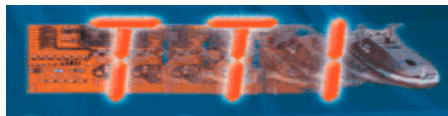
## Objectives

- Transition idle reduction (TIR) equipment to Product Manager (PM) Heavy Tactical Vehicle (HTV) for M915A5 and Line Haul Replacement Tractor
- Assess power and energy requirements of current fleet of fielded HTV's: M915, M916, M917
- Adapt low-risk solutions to military requirements for power systems -- test, integrate, demonstrate, transition for procurement
- Accelerate availability of TIR equipment for procurement by 2 years from FY15 to FY13

## Products

- Potential for 422 to 870 gal/yr per M915 fuel savings during wartime
- Fewer fuel convoys needed thereby increasing fleet force protection
- Significant cost savings over lifecycle through reduced prime engine use
- 5.3 kW tactical idle reduction auxiliary power unit (APU)
- Auxiliary 1 ton environmental control unit (ECU)

## Team



## Graphics



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# Closing



- CERDEC must leverage commercial marketplace to meet near-term operational energy reduction objectives and emerging requirements
- Developers of A/RE technologies must focus on system hybridization and dual-use applications to meet interoperability / cost requirements
- Solar PV and hybrid PV systems have greatest interest from CERDEC customers in both portable and mobile markets
- DoD procurement officials seem most interested in moderate PV conversion efficiency (15%) / low cost (<\$2.50/W) for large area power generation applications and high-eff (30%) / moderate cost (<\$10/W) for portable power and the burgeoning smart phone market
- Wind energy systems require substantial technology development in order to be tactically viable on size/weight basis
- Energy efficiency initiatives such as W2E/GTL, Co-generation, and Tactical Idle Reduction demonstrate demand-side reduction and waste utilization, which rival the criticality of source-side hybrid A/RE